



# TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

## ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**Regular Meeting, Tuesday August 28, 2018 6:30 p.m.  
Town Hall Conference Room**

**Present:** Chairman Terrence McAuliffe  
Commissioner David Cappelletti  
Commissioner Ted Mannello  
Commissioner Anthony Minchella  
Commissioner Frank Mirovsky  
Commissioner Mark Petrucci

**Also Present:** Rick Dunne, NVCOG

**Absent:** Commissioner Armando Paolino

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at about 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Terry McAuliffe.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

### DISCUSSION

Rick Dunne, Executive Director of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments, told members about the agency and invited questions. He said the NVCOG had a fairly limited role in Economic Development, especially for relatively affluent towns like Middlebury. NVCOG can provide studies and demographics for incoming businesses. NVCOG funding comes primarily from federal transportation funding and brownfields funding. They do census data collection. He discussed difficulties in coordinating multi-town economic development.

Discussion included the need to make Middlebury retail more attractive to outside customers, such as the Streetscape and Design Guidelines initiatives. Mr. Dunne mentioned the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP). Mr. Dunne also said small town costs are becoming more difficult to support with residential taxes.

Mr. Dunne also discussed upcoming highway construction and alternatives being considered. He compared NVCOG to CERC and CEDS.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dave Cappelletti MOTIONED to approve the Feb 27, March 27 and April 24, 2018 minutes, SECOND by Frank Mirovsky and unanimously voted.

MOTION TO ADJOURN by David Cappelletti, SECOND by Ted Mannello and unanimously voted at about 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence McAuliffe

Chairman—Economic Development Commission  
cc. Town Clerk, Barbara Whitaker, Commission Members